EXHIBIT K

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT

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SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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In Re: Case No:

RESIDENTIAL CAPITAL, LLC, et. al, 12-12020(MG)

Debtors.

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VIDEOTAPE DEPOSITION OF JAMES WHITLINGER

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has had plenty of experience around this discussion with our advisors, with our accounting policy teams and in-house counsel.

- Q. When you say on a timing perspective you agree that the board had only about 22 minutes to consider this before the board meeting started, right?
- A. Yeah. That's what the timing of the e-mail stated.
- Q. And what's your understanding generally of the chart attached to the e-mail that's entitled 2004-2007 PLS R&W analysis?

MR. RAINS: I'm going to have
to -- I apologize I'm going to stand
over your shoulder and look at the
document. We weren't given copies so
I'm sorry to interrupt but this is the
only way I can see it.

A. So this schedule shows the ResCap issued deals and the original with principal balance of the loans. And so that was about \$226 billion. The current

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balance of the unpaid principal balance
was \$63.3 billion. It shows a percentage
of loans that were delinquent and then it
showed that we had had just under
\$30 billion of -- of losses that were
incurred on the original \$226 billion of
principal. And that, you know, we
believed that \$14.2 billion would be
losses that would potentially be incurred
in the future from this point in time. So
the total lifetime losses were going to
be, you know, \$44.1 billion. And
essentially that equated to a 19.5 percent
lifetime loss of the \$226 billion.

The next column over is, you know, Kathy Patrick's group and it showed what portion of the original 226 billion for all the same -- same buckets. And then it just has a percentage of total issued. So this is what the schedule was, that the ResCap settlement amount of \$8.7 billion was the dollar amount that -- that would agreed to be the claim on the potential losses of \$44.1 billion.

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- Q. What's your understanding of the items in the rows that refer to a ResCap,

 Lehman and Bank of America percentage

 defect rate?
- A. Right. So the \$8.7 billion divided by \$44 billion I believe is the agreed rate of, you know, 19.7. And the Lehman claim amount in the BofA baseline I think were data points or observations that said that potentially those were rates that were in those specific deals.
 - Q. What are those specific deals?
- A. You know, I don't -- I don't know their deals.
- Q. Do you know who provided the 35 percent and 36 percent, as you called them, data points for this chart?
- A. I'm not sure. I believe that

 Jeff Cancelliere may have helped provide

 information on this.
 - O. Who is Jeff Cancelliere?
- A. Jeff Cancelliere is a direct report of mine today. Jeff worked on the risk team and was our number cruncher,

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number expert for valuing loans. And so, you know, the 226 billion, identifying those, identifying the current balance, cumulative losses that had occurred to date, you know, what projected losses could be, he would be our person that was the numbers expert on that.

- Q. And was Mr. Cancelliere your direct report on May 9, 2012?
- A. Somewhere in the month of, you know, somewhere in thereabouts, you know, Jeff was reappointed to -- to be a direct report of mine.
- Q. And on and after the time that he was appointed as a direct report of yours you were responsible for supervising and overseeing an ensuring the accuracy of his work?
 - A. Can you repeat or rephrase that?
- Q. Sure. Once he be- -- once he was appointed as a direct report of yours you were then responsible for supervising and ensuring the accuracy of his work?
 - A. Yes.

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Q. And who appointed him as a direct report of you?

- A. You know, I was obviously party to that conversation and Tom Marano.
- Q. Had Mr. -- Mr. Cancelliere
 before he was a direct report to you, was
 he a direct report to someone who was
 employed by AFI?
- A. Yes. There was dotted line relationships.
- Q. And so Mr. Marano then decided that Mr. Cancelliere would no longer report to somebody at AFI but would now report to you, correct?
- A. Generally speaking, you know, we were separating the centers of excellence that had been created over time. We had shared services. And so we -- there was an alignment process going on in April, May, maybe sooner, I don't remember the exact timelines, where we made sure that the shared service people were repointed to ResCap for our areas.
 - Q. So it's your understanding that

36 1 JAMES WHITLINGER 2 Mr. Cancelliere prepared the information 3 in this chart for delivery to the board? 4 Again, I know that Jeff worked 5 on this type of information. I don't know 6 that he actually created this chart. 7 And to the extent there's any Q. 8 information in this chart that 9 Mr. Cancelliere provided, that was 10 misleading or mistaken, you would take 11 responsibility for his work in that 12 regard, correct? 13 MR. RAINS: Objection. Assumes 14 facts not in evidence. Calls for 15 speculation. 16 Q. You can answer. 17 MR. RAINS: You can still 18 answer. 19 You know -- you know, we have Α. 20 employees that work for all of us that 21 ultimately the buck stops with me. 22 Ο. Which means that if 23 Mr. Cancelliere put information in to this 24 document that was provided to the board,

information that was either misleading or

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and who provided them is -- is important and a consideration but it's -- it's just a consideration. Whether it came from Kathy or -- or Jeff, you know, it's a data point.

Q. Was it important for the board to determine whether or not these 35 percent, 36 percent defect rates were valid?

MR. RAINS: Objection. Calls for speculation.

Q. Let me withdraw that. Was it important for the board to determine where the 35 percent and 36 percent defect rates came from and how they were arrived at?

MR. RAINS: Objection. Calls for speculation. Calls for a legal conclusion.

You can still answer.

A. Yeah, I don't know how to answer it any different. That when you consider a settlement and you consider all the facts and circumstances and things that are presented, everything is a data point

42 1 JAMES WHITLINGER 2 and it goes into the overall 3 consideration. So --4 0. Right. 5 Α. -- I don't know how to answer 6 your question any different than I've 7 answered it. 8 So it wasn't important to you Ο. 9 where the 35 percent and 36 percent came 10 from, it was just important to you that it 11 was there? 12 MR. RAINS: Objection. That 13 misstates his testimony. Go ahead. 14 Α. I don't know how to answer the 15 question any different. 16 During the May 9th board meeting 17 did you know that before the meeting your 18 direct report Mr. Cancelliere told Mr. Lee 19 that he had challenged certain of 20 Ms. Patrick's assumptions concerning 21 defect rates, including the validity of 22 using the 36 percent defect rate for Bank 23 of America that's in Exhibit 60? 24 MR. RAINS: Objection. Assumes 25 facts not in evidence.

43 1 JAMES WHITLINGER 2 Go ahead. 3 Can you re- -- rephrase the Α. 4 question? I'm sorry. 5 That's okay. During the May 9th 0. 6 board meeting did you know that before the 7 meeting Mr. Cancelliere told Mr. Lee that 8 he had challenged certain of Ms. Patrick's 9 assumptions about defect rates including 10 the validity of using a 36 percent defect 11 rate for Bank of America that's referenced 12 and included in -- in Exhibit 60? 13 MR. RAINS: So object to the 14 question as vague and ambiguous and it 15 also misstates the evidence. 16 Okay. So -- so my answer to 17 that is I don't recall at May 9th if I 18 knew if Jeff had conversations as I sit 19 here today. I know that there were 20 conversations with the parties on 21 assumptions that were made throughout the 22 process. 23 0. On May 9th as a board member of 24 deciding whether or not to approve ResCap 25 entering into this settlement agreement,

44 1 JAMES WHITLINGER 2 would you have liked to know on or before 3 the meeting that Mr. Cancelliere had 4 concerns about the validity of the 5 36 percent defect rate? 6 MR. RAINS: Objection. The form 7 of the question is confusing and it 8 assumes facts not in evidence. The 9 question is would you have liked to 10 have known. 11 You know, it would be helpful to 12 know all the conversations that took 13 place. 14 Q. Wouldn't it be particularly 15 important to know that Jeff Cancelliere, 16 your -- your numbers cruncher, who reports 17 directly to you was presenting a 36 18 percent number to the board that he 19 thought perhaps was not the proper number? 20 MR. RAINS: Objection. Assumes 21 facts not in evidence. 22 I don't -- I don't know that we 23 didn't talk about that at the board 24 meeting or not. So I -- I just don't 25 recall. But as far as -- and whether or

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not it's important to know where the data came from and how -- how people discussed it, those were all good things to -- to -- to have information on.

- Q. And if Jeff had -- Cancelliere had doubts about the 36 percent, you would have -- you would have wanted to know that before you made your decisions on May 9th, right?
 - A. No.

MR. RAINS: Again it assumes facts not in evidence.

Q. So --

A. No. I stated earlier that that's a data point for those pieces. We had, you know, conversations regarding the types of claims that could be brought forth. Our lawyers and our advisors and our numbers people had talked about what types of risk could come from litigation and our advisors told us that this settlement was a good settlement based on all those risks. It wasn't pointed to just saying this Lehman claim amount

46 1 JAMES WHITLINGER 2 defect rate or this BofA baseline defect 3 rate is the most important thing on this 4 page. It's a data point. 5 You know, we have multiple legal 6 entities that our -- our deals were issued 7 off of. These deals were issued in 2004 8 to 2007, some through GMAC Mortgage, some 9 through RFC. I don't know how Lehman did 10 their deals. I don't know how BofA did 11 their -- their deals, their shelves. 12 These are data points we don't know how to 13 process. So these are data points. 14 Q. If Mr. Cancelliere thought the 15 36 percent defect rate was wrong, you 16 would have wanted -- you would have wanted 17 him to tell you that before the board 18 meeting, right? 19 MR. RAINS: Again it misstates 20 the evidence, assumes facts not in 21 evidence. Calls for speculation. 22 Go ahead. 23 MR. SIEGEL: It's a very simple 24 question. 25 Α. I don't know if we talked about

47 1 JAMES WHITLINGER 2 that or we didn't talk about it is my 3 first point. If he -- if he challenged 4 it, would I want to know that? Yes. 5 That's fine. I would want to know. 6 But you didn't know that on or 7 before the May 9th board meeting? 8 I already answered that I Α. 9 don't know that we did or didn't. 10 But you have no recollection of 11 that? 12 Α. I have no recollection. 13 0. Was the first time that you 14 learned that the proposed settlement 15 amount was 8.7 billion the time when you 16 received this -- this board material from 17 Mr. Lee? 18 Α. Can you repeat the question? 19 0. Sure. Did you first learn that 20 the proposed settlement amount that's in 21 the RMBS Trust Settlement Agreement was 22 \$8.7 billion when you received Exhibit 60? 23 Yes, that -- that -- that's my 24 recollection. 25 Q. And it's your recollection that

48 1 JAMES WHITLINGER 2 when the board received Exhibit 60 that's 3 the first time that the board was informed 4 as a group that the settlement amount, the 5 proposed settlement amount was 8.7 billion? 6 7 Α. That's my recollection. 8 Q. Now, as of May 9, 2012, you had 9 never spoken directly with Ms. Patrick, is 10 that true? 11 I have never spoken with 12 Ms. Patrick. 13 Q. May I ask you to take a look at 14 Exhibit 61. Those are the board minutes 15 for May 9th. 16 Α. Okay. 17 And you recognize those as the 18 final minutes of the ResCap board meeting 19 from May 9, 2012, that began at 3:00? 20 Α. Yes. 21 And does Exhibit 61 Q. 22 accurately -- accurately reflect what 23 occurred at the meeting? 24 Yes. It's an -- an executive Α.

summary of the -- of the meeting.

49 JAMES WHITLINGER 1 2 But you've just read the Q. 3 exhibit, correct? 4 Α. Yes. I've just read it. 5 0. And to your understanding is 6 everything in there accurate? 7 Yes, I -- I believe it's Α. 8 accurate. 9 Did you participate in this Q. 10 meeting by phone? 11 Α. I don't recall. I believe I was 12 in person. 13 And now, the minutes say it was Q. 14 a telephonic meeting. 15 Α. Yeah. 16 Q. Does that affect your 17 recollection? 18 Α. Well, what I mean by that is I 19 work out of both New York and Fort 20 Washington. And I -- we were having a lot 21 of our board meetings at Morrison & 22 Foerster. And I believe I was present in 23 Morrison & Foerster when we had the 24 meeting. 25 And you were in a conference Q.

50 1 JAMES WHITLINGER 2 room at Morrison & Foerster? 3 Α. That's my recollection. 4 Q. And do you recall who else was 5 in the conference room with you? 6 Α. I don't remember. 7 Q. Do you recall whether any other 8 board members were in the conference room 9 at the time? 10 Α. No. I --11 0. Mr. Marano? 12 Α. I believe Tom would have been 13 Steve would have been there. there. 14 Q. When you say Steve you mean 15 Steve Abreu? 16 Α. Yes. 17 Q. And is he -- he's not a member 18 of ResCap's board of directors, is he? 19 Α. No, he is. 20 You're correct. I was Q. 21 momentarily confused. 22 MR. RAINS: He's always correct. 23 No worries there. 24 MR. SIEGEL: Depending upon his 25 testimony that may be true.

51 1 JAMES WHITLINGER 2 And the independent -- do you 0. 3 recall whether any of the independent 4 board members, Mr. Smith, Ms. West, 5 Mr. Mack or Mr. Ilany were at MoFo during 6 the board meeting? 7 I don't recall. Α. 8 Ο. Your best recollection is that 9 to the extent they participated, they 10 par- -- those independent board members 11 participated by phone? 12 MR. RAINS: Objection. 13 Misstates his testimony. 14 Α. You know, we had -- you know, we 15 have had so many meetings and oftentimes 16 they are there. Oftentimes people 17 participate by phone, depending on where 18 they are at. I just don't -- don't 19 recall. 20 During the portion of the board Q. 21 meeting that was dedicated to discussing 22 the RMBS Trust Settlement, did you speak 23 at all? 24 I don't -- I don't recall. Α. 25 speak out, you know, in almost every board

52 1 JAMES WHITLINGER 2 meeting asking questions so I would 3 presume that I did. 4 But you don't recall saying 5 anything during that portion of the 6 meeting, right? 7 Nothing -- I don't recall. Α. 8 Ο. Do you recall whether -- whether 9 the call started promptly or the meeting 10 started promptly at 3:00 or whether it was 11 delayed? 12 Α. I don't recall. 13 Q. Okay. And the meeting lasted 14 for about an hour and adjourned at 4:00; 15 is that right? 16 Α. The minutes indicate it 17 adjourned at 4:00 p.m. 18 Ο. Did you have any understanding 19 at the time why Mr. Ilany was unable to 20 attend the meeting? 21 I don't recall. Α. 22 Ο. Do you recall whether any of the 23 other three independent directors, 24 Mr. Smith, Ms. West and Mr. Mack, were 25 actually on a telephone conference call

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with the rest of the board members during the board meeting?

- A. I don't -- I don't recall. As I said, there's -- there's -- we have had so many meetings and oftentimes people are in person, oftentimes people participate by phone.
- Q. And so you don't -- so you don't know whether any of those three independent board members actually participated by phone for any or part of the meeting?
- A. Yeah, again, I don't -- I don't recall.
- Q. And it's at this meeting that the board approved entering into the RMBS Settlement Trust Agreement, correct?
- A. Yes. With -- with -- subject to counsel making some changes.
- Q. Do you know what those changes were?
- A. I -- you know, I think there were still some finer points being worked out that were delegated to the ResCap

54 1 JAMES WHITLINGER 2 management with the advice and legal 3 counsel. I -- I can't recall specifically 4 which -- which ones they were. 5 The board resolved that if any 6 of those changes would be material, that 7 they would have to be brought back before 8 the board for the board's approval? 9 Α. Yes. 10 THE WITNESS: Can we take a 11 break? 12 MR. SIEGEL: Oh, yeah. Sure. 13 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: The time is 14 10:30 a.m. and we are off the record. 15 (Whereupon, there is a recess in 16 the proceeding.) 17 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: The time is 18 10:42 a.m. We are back record. 19 (Whereupon, there is a recess in 20 the proceedings.) 21 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: The time is 22 10:42 a.m. We are back on the record. 23 Welcome back, Mr. Whitlinger. 24 Right before the break you testified that 25 at the May 9th board meeting the board

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- Q. But you don't have a specific recollection of discussing the board's fiduciary duties during the half an hour or so that the board discussed the settlement agreement on May 9th?
- A. Yeah, I -- I don't recall specific to that.
- Q. And on May 9th as a board member when you were considering the settlement, in your own words what was your understanding of your fiduciary duty as a ResCap board member in deciding whether to approve the settlement agreement?
- A. Generally speaking, you know, as a director we have a duty of care and duty of loyalty to ResCap and all its affiliates or subsidiaries. And we needed to consider all creditors when making any decision that we would make at all, you know, that that's part of that -- that process. So.
- Q. So you understood on May 9th that you had a fiduciary duty of care and loyalty -- loyalty to ResCap and all of

57 1 JAMES WHITLINGER 2 its creditors during that meeting? 3 Α. And to ResCap's Yes. subsidiaries. 4 5 Just to be clear, your answer to 0. 6 the question was "Yes. And to ResCap's 7 subsidiaries"? 8 Α. Yes. 9 And did that fiduciary duty Q. 10 extend to the creditors of not just ResCap 11 but also ResCap's subsidiaries? 12 Α. Yes. 13 Q. If a conflict arose during the 14 May 9th board meeting between the best 15 interests of ResCap's different 16 subsidiaries or the different creditors of 17 those different subsidiaries, what was 18 your understanding of how the board was 19 supposed to resolve that conflict? 20 MR. RAINS: I object to the 21 question on the grounds that it's a 22 hypothetical and it assumes facts not 23 in evidence and so it will cause you 24 to speculate. 25 If you can answer the question,

58 1 JAMES WHITLINGER 2 go ahead. 3 Can you say it one more time? Α. 4 Ο. Sure. 5 MR. SIEGEL: Let me withdraw the 6 question. I'm going to ask you a 7 different question. 8 During the May 9th board meeting Ο. 9 did you or anybody on the board determine 10 or discuss whether the settlement 11 agreement was in your view in the best 12 interests of not only the creditors of 13 ResCap but also the creditors -- creditors 14 of each of ResCap's subsidiaries? 15 I don't recall specific conversation. But again, you know, we've 16 17 had many discussions and presentations 18 about our fiduciary responsibility for all 19 the subsidiaries of ResCap. 20 If the settlement agreement that 21 you were considering on May 9th caused a 22 conflict between the interests of the 23 creditors of one ResCap subsidiary and

another ResCap subsidiary, how would you

as a board member, what's your

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59 1 JAMES WHITLINGER 2 understanding of how that conflict would 3 be resolved? The question assumes 4 MR. RAINS: 5 facts not in evidence. It's a 6 hypothetical question so it calls for 7 the witness to speculate. 8 Α. You know, if there was perceived 9 conflict of interest we'd have discussion 10 about it and talk to -- talk to counsel. 11 And you don't recall any such 12 discussion about that during the May 9th 13 board meeting, right? 14 Yes. As I said, I don't recall Α. 15 having a specific conversation about it. 16 On or before May 9th did you 17 read or review a copy of the RMBS Trust 18 Settlement Agreement? 19 Α. On or before May 9th? 20 Uh-hum. Q. 21 Α. I don't -- I don't recall. 22 0. Do you recall ever reading or 23 reviewing it before the petition date? 24 Α. I believe I did. 25 But it's possible that as of Q.

60 1 JAMES WHITLINGER 2 May 9th when you participated in this 3 board meeting you might not have actually 4 read the trust settlement agreement? 5 I don't recall. 6 Q. Is your answer the same with 7 respect to the plan support agreement 8 between ResCap and the institutional 9 investors? 10 Yeah, I don't -- I don't recall 11 specifically what date I read this. 12 But it's possible that you might 0. 13 not have read that plan support agreement 14 as of May 9th, correct? 15 I -- I don't -- it's possible. Α. 16 I don't recall. 17 Do you recall whether during the 18 May 9th board meeting, whether any board 19 member asked to -- asked for a copy of the 20 RMBS settlement agreement before the board 21 was to vote on approving ResCap entering 22 into that agreement? 23 I don't recall. Α. 24 Is it your understanding that on

May 9th the board was presented with and

61 1 JAMES WHITLINGER 2 the board considered all material 3 information about the terms of the RM --4 RMBS Trust Settlement Agreement? 5 Yes, the board -- the board 6 discussed, you know, the -- the terms of 7 the settlement. 8 Q. And to the best of your 9 recollection on May 9th what were all the 10 material terms in your mind as a board 11 member, what were all the material terms 12 of the settlement agreement? 13 MR. RAINS: You are asking him 14 to do this by memory? 15 MR. SIEGEL: I'm asking if he 16 recalls what he viewed on May 9th to 17 be all the material terms of the 18 settlement agreement. 19 MR. RAINS: Then you might want 20 to show him the document. Okay. 21 So do it by memory, that's fine. 22 As best you can. 23 So it's hard to put myself back 24 on May 9th but clearly knowing the amount

of the allowed claim was important.

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items identifying the different settlement amounts be prepared to provide the board with additional details on the settlements."

Did I read that correctly?

A. Yes.

- Q. When Mr. Marano made that request, did you have an understanding as to what he was requesting?
- A. I don't recall exactly what the different settlement amounts with the additional details on the settlements at that time were.
- Q. As you are sitting here right now and reading that, what is your best understanding as to what that means?
- A. At that point in time, you know, showing what -- what the AFI settlement would be and the dollar amounts associated with that and likely what the agreements that had been negotiated up to that point in time with other parties for the JSBs.

 So those would probably be some of them.
 - Q. Does -- does the chart on

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Exhibit 60 disclose to the board the amount of the settlement between Bank of America and institutional investors that were represented by Kathy Patrick?

- A. This page?
- Q. Yes.

- A. And what was the question again?

 MR. SIEGEL: Just for the

 record, we are referring to the page

 of Exhibit 60 with the Bates number

 that ends in 93182.
- Q. And the question was, does the chart on that page disclose to the board the amount of Bank of America's settlement with institutional investors who were represented by Ms. Patrick?
- A. It -- the -- you know, the report is what the report is. It has ResCap settlement and then it has a Lehman claim amount and a BofA baseline defect rates that are noted.
- Q. But it doesn't disclose the amount that Ms. Patrick and her client settled with Bank of America, correct?

94 1 JAMES WHITLINGER 2 Α. I don't see that. 3 0. And that information was not 4 disclosed to the board during the May 9th 5 meeting, correct? 6 Α. Again, I don't -- I don't recall 7 all the points that were discussed on 8 that. 9 Ο. Now during the meeting did the 10 board receive the report that Mr. Marano 11 requested before the board decided to 12 approve the settlement? 13 Α. So which settlement are you 14 referring to? 15 I'm referring to on Exhibit 61 0. 16 Mr. Marano requested a report, right? 17 Α. Mr. Marano requested that a 18 report that separates line items 19 identifying different settlements but I 20 don't know which -- you know, are you 21 talking about the RMBS trust settlement? 22 I'm asking -- I'll -- I'll try 0. 23 to state the question more clearly. 24 Before this meeting adjourned at

4:00 was the board provided with the

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report that Mr. Marano requested?

- A. I don't -- I don't know. I don't recall. I wouldn't believe so though.
- Q. Do you recall whether anybody asked to adjourn the meeting or defer the board's decision until that information was provided to the board?
- A. I don't really understand the thought process on the question. This relates to waterfall analyses. It doesn't relate to the RMBS agreement.
- Q. But isn't that under the section of the board minutes that's entitled Proposed Legal Settlement?
- A. You know, the proposed legal settlement was the PLS. This -- this Mr. Renzi discussing was talking about the waterfall.
- Q. Well, you see on the first page -- withdrawn.

You agree that the board meeting covered two agenda items, right, one was the proposed legal settlement and that was

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that accept and determine what portion of claims they would get.

- Q. Do you know how the expert will make that determination of what portion of the claim will be allocated?
 - MR. RAINS: Objection. The document speaks for itself.
- A. I mean, you know, the document lays out in some of these buckets how -- how to actually determine who is accepting and then how the -- the claim will be calculated.
- Q. Your understanding is just based on what's in the document?
- A. Yeah. I -- I -- that's my understanding.
- Q. You can set that exhibit aside for a second. I'm going to ask you to turn your attention back to Exhibit 60. That's the board material that was provided to the board for the May 9th meeting. And if you could take a look again at the chart in Exhibit 60. What is your understanding of footnote 6 which

115 1 JAMES WHITLINGER 2 states there could be amounts conceded if 3 the true defect rate is below the 4 19.72 percent based on actual loan file 5 reviews and application of litigation 6 defenses? 7 Α. I don't recollect what that 8 related to. 9 Doesn't that mean that the 0. 10 19.72 percent defect rate here is not the 11 true defect rate because its not based on 12 an actual loan file review and it doesn't 13 consider litigation defenses against 14 claims that purportedly could be brought 15 by the institutional investors? 16 MR. RAINS: Objection. Asked 17 and answered. Calls for speculation. 18 Α. Can you rephrase? 19 Was there something you didn't Q. 20 understand? 21 I didn't -- I'm not able Α. Yeah. 22 to get the full gist of what you are 23 asking. 24 Doesn't footnote 6 mean that the Ο. 25 19.72 percent is not the true defect rate

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because it's not based on an actual loan file review and it's not based on an application of litigation defenses?

MR. RAINS: Objection. Calls for speculation.

- A. Yeah. I stated earlier that the 8.7 and that 19.72 is a calculation of 8.7 divided by 44. And so application of litigation defenses, you know, again that would have been all considered as part of what our professionals determined in negotiating and coming up with \$8.7 billion.
- Q. Was it your understanding on May 9th that the 19.72 percent number reflected the application of litigation defenses?
- A. I don't know how to answer it different than I have answered it before that the 8.7 is, you know, the 19.72 relates to the loss -- the lifetime loss dollars. And the 8.7 divided by that number is 19.72 and yes, that considers litigation defenses, what claims could be

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brought by the other parties, how to consider them and probabilities of winning/losing in court where somebody else decides -- you know, my understanding was there wasn't going to be an actual loan file review because the, that's what a settlement is for.

- Q. Would an actual loan file review give you a more accurate understanding of what the proper defect rate would be for the loans in the Kathy Patrick group?
- A. You know, I would defer to our -- our lawyers on that. My business opinion would be, you know, when you look at actual loan files and you have a party on both sides, nobody is ever going to agree on what was a defect rate. One side is going to say it's a defect. The other side is going to say it's not a defect. And they are going to argue, argue, argue, argue. That's the whole point of settling.
- Q. So is it your testimony that the 19.72 percent defect rate in Exhibit 60

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takes into consideration the litigation defenses and the other litigation issues that you just testified about?

MR. RAINS: Objection. Asked and answered.

- A. Again, I don't know how to answer your question any differently than I have -- I have answered before.
- Q. Did the board consider or get any information about the specific litigation defenses against these rep and warranty claims?
 - A. I -- I don't recall.
- Q. Do you recall whether or not the board was given any information about whether or not there were any statutes of limitation that might bar some of Ms. Patrick's clients purported claims?
- A. If -- if you're -- are you asking me in this -- in the May 9th, if we talked about statute of limitations, I don't recall. I know that we have always talked about statute of limitations when talking about rep and warrant claims.

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- Q. But you had no recollection of a discussion about statute of limitations during the May 9th meeting?
 - A. I don't recall.

- Q. Is it your understanding that just because there's a loss associated with the mortgage that is considered a defect but that doesn't necessarily mean that ResCap or its affiliates are liable for any or all of the loss?
- A. Since you used the word "liable"

 I'm going to again defer to our -- our

 counsel. Lawyers determine liability.
- Q. So was it your understanding on May 9th -- withdrawn.

Did anyone provide the board on May 9th with an analysis of how much it might cost to litigate the claims

Ms. Patrick was -- was asserting as compared to settling the claims around May of 2012?

- A. Can you repeat the first part of the question?
 - Q. Sure. Did anyone advise or

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discuss with the board on May 9th or provide an analysis of how much it might cost to litigate the claims being asserted by Ms. Patrick rather than settling in May 2012?

- A. I -- I don't -- the reason I ask, I don't recall if it was discussed but I know for sure I don't recollect seeing a litigation presentation analysis embedded in this -- this -- this list of materials.
- Q. You agree it would have been helpful for the board to know on May 9th what counsel estimated or anticipated it might cost to litigate the claims as compared to settling them in the settlement agreement?
- A. You know, again, that would be a data point. And I relied on our professionals and our legal teams in litigation in how those matters evolve. So I think that's a data point, how much would it cost, how many loan files if I was going to review it. Again, I -- I

122 1 JAMES WHITLINGER 2 -- as a result of a settlement? Ο. 3 MR. RAINS: Objection. 4 and answered. 5 I don't recall. As I stated, I 6 don't have an analysis that I -- that I 7 know was presented on May 9th. 8 Q. On May 9th did you know whether 9 or not any of Ms. Patrick's clients had 10 filed any rep and warranty claims against 11 ResCap or any of its affiliates? 12 Α. Can you repeat the question 13 again? 14 On May 9th did you know whether Q. 15 or not any of Ms. Patrick's clients, the 16 institutional investors or the trusts had 17 actually filed any rep and warranty claims 18 or other claims against ResCap or its 19 affiliates? 20 I don't know for sure. We Α. 21 obviously had multiple rep and warrant claim -- claims outstanding. So I presume 22 23 that some of them would have been part of 24 that Kathy Patrick group.

When -- when you say that there

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are obviously multiple rep and warranty claims outstanding, you mean claims that have actually been filed or filed against ResCap, litigations that have been filed against ResCap or its affiliates?

- A. I'm sorry. I was referring to a request for a repurchase. So a repurchase request claim was made to the company in following our business process to evaluate the claim.
- Q. So you believe that some of the claims you just described would have been part of the Kathy Patrick group, correct?
- A. Yeah. I believe it's -- it's certainly possible that some of those investors would have to be the same investors that are bringing forth claims of specific loan rep and warrant requests.
- Q. Do you know if any of those claims to which you just referred also resulted in any litigation being filed against ResCap or any of its affiliates?
- A. I don't know for sure. I know we've had -- we have multiple cases filed.

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I'd have to talk to counsel.

- Q. During the May 9th board meeting did the board discuss that the settlement agreement would provide for ResCap to pay Ms. Patrick's legal fees?
- A. I don't recall discussing that component specifically but ResCap, my understanding on the contract is that those legal fees would be deducted from the overall \$8.7 billion amount.
- Q. You say the contract, you mean the settlement agreement?
- A. Yeah. The RMBS Trust Settlement Agreement.
- Q. But the board didn't discuss this on May 9th and --
- A. I don't know if we did or didn't. It didn't really matter to me because it's -- yeah, that was between her and the institutional investors. The 8.7 billion is their allowed claim. And so if it's deducted from that I'm indifferent on how the agreement that she may have reached or not reached with the

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institutional investors.

- Q. Would it have been more reasonable and fair to the creditors of ResCap and its affiliates for the \$8.7 billion amount to be reduced by the amount of Ms. Patrick's fees -- Ms. Patrick's fees?
 - MR. RAINS: Objection. Vague and ambiguous. Calls for speculation.
- A. I have already told you that as a board member in and the process that was followed I'm comfortable with the \$8.7 billion. I don't have an opinion on how the institutional investors and Kathy Patrick negotiated, what portion she should get. My view as a board member was that is the 8.7 billion reasonable for the claims that could be brought, the litigation issues and -- and that's what I relied on.
- Q. Were you aware during the
 May 9th board meeting that the RMBS Trust
 Settlement Agreement provided releases to
 inside directors like yourself and not to

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the independent directors?

- A. Can you repeat that, please?
- Q. Yeah. Were you aware during the May 9th board meeting that the settlement agreement provided releases to management directors like yourself and Mr. Abreu and Mr. Marano but not to the other board members who were considered independent directors?
 - A. I don't recall that.
 - Q. You didn't know that on May 9th?
 - A. I don't know if I did or didn't.
- Q. Is that -- is that information something that you think the board members, including yourself, would want to know and consider in making this decision on May 9th?

MR. RAINS: Objection. Assumes facts not in evidence. Calls for speculation.

A. Again, it's another component of when our lawyers talked to us about the releases and the types of claims, and what they considered and how they thought about

127 1 JAMES WHITLINGER 2 them and the probabilities of court 3 outcomes and whatnot -- probabilities of outcome of the case, how that would work. 4 5 And so I think that's another 6 consideration. 7 Ο. Did the GMAC Mortgage LLC board 8 meet separately to approve the RMBS Trust 9 Settlement Agreement? 10 I don't believe so. Α. 11 Do you agree that Ally Bank 12 underwrote a significant percentage of the 13 loans giving rise to the rep and warranty 14 and PLS claims against ResCap? 15 Α. I agree that Ally Bank 16 underwrote loans that were subsequently 17 sold to GMAC Mortgage and potentially RFC, 18 that were subsequently part of a 19 securitization. 20 So do you disagree that Ally Q. 21 bank underwrote a significant percentage 22 of the loans that give rise to the rep and 23 warranty claims against ResCap? 24 Asked MR. RAINS: Objection.

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you earlier was the process for how Ally reported information as well. Same process.

- Q. And were you responsible as CFO of mortgage operations for AFI for overseeing that process?
- A. I -- no. The -- the governing committee had ultimate -- no one person is allowed to control a process. That's why we have a governance committee. So I am a piece of a governance component.
- Q. How did you prepare for your deposition today?
- A. I met with my counsel here and I reviewed a -- the RMBS Trust Settlement Agreement, reviewed my first day affidavit. Took a look at our, you know, accounting policy memos.
- Q. When you met with your counsel to prepare for the deposition, was anybody present on behalf of Ally or Ally Bank?
 - A. No.
- Q. Did you review any of the deposition transcripts from this matter in

145 1 JAMES WHITLINGER 2 including Mr. Marano and Mr. Mack? 3 Α. No. 4 Ο. Before your deposition today did 5 you discuss with anyone what anyone else 6 had testified to in depositions in this 7 matter, including testimony by Mr. Marano 8 or Mr. Mack or Mr. Cancelliere? 9 Α. No. 10 MR. SIEGEL: Let's take a break. 11 MR. RAINS: All right. 12 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: The time is 13 12:57 p.m. and we are off the record. 14 (Whereupon, there is a recess in 15 the proceedings.) THE VIDEOGRAPHER: The time is 16 17 1:08 p.m. and we are back on the 18 record. 19 EXAMINATION BY 20 MR. DENMAN: 21 Mr. Whitlinger, I'm Harrison Q. 22 Denman from White & Case for the ad hoc 23 group of junior secured noteholders. 24 Earlier you mentioned you are both an 25 officer and a director for Residential

146 1 JAMES WHITLINGER 2 Capital LLC and for GMAC Mortgage LLC, 3 correct? 4 Α. Yes. 5 And do you also hold positions Q. 6 at Residential Funding Company, LLC? 7 Α. Residential Funding I'm also a 8 board member and a chief financial officer 9 as Craig had asked. 10 Okay. And can you identify the 11 other members of the board for GMAC 12 Mortgage? 13 Steve Abreu and, you know, Joe Α. 14 Pensabene, who is the head of our 15 servicing is currently a -- and is also a 16 board member. 17 Ο. And is the same individuals that 18 are members of the board of Residential 19 Funding Company? 20 I believe it's only Steve Abreu Α. 21 and myself for -- for RFC. 22 And earlier you said that you 23 don't recall there being any meetings of 24 the board of GMAC Mortgage with respect to 25 the RMBS settlement, correct?

147 1 JAMES WHITLINGER 2 Α. Correct. 3 0. And do you recall if there were 4 any such meetings of the board by -- of 5 the board for Residential Funding Company? 6 Α. No. I would say the same, I 7 don't recall. 8 Being that you are one of only Q. 9 two, or in the case of GMAC Mortgage 10 three, directors for each entity you would 11 obviously -- your attendance would be 12 necessary for any board meeting of those 13 two entities, correct? 14 Α. Yes. 15 So it's safe to assume that your not recalling means that those meetings 16 17 never occurred? 18 MR. RAINS: Objection. 19 Misstates his testimony. 20 I don't -- I don't recall having Α. 21 a meeting and I don't believe we had a 22 separate meeting but I don't -- I don't 23 re- -- I don't recall. 24 Okay. Now, you attended the 25 May 9th board meeting, correct?

148 1 JAMES WHITLINGER 2 Α. Yes. And that was a board meeting for 3 0. 4 Residential Capital LLC, correct? 5 Α. Yes. 6 Q. And your attendance there was in 7 your capacity as officer and director of 8 Residential Capital LLC, correct? 9 But I was also there with Α. Yes. 10 respect to the plan support agreement that 11 all the debtor entities were listed as 12 part of the plan support agreement. So --13 so I was also considering the other 14 entities in my decision. 15 But only with respect to the Q. 16 plan support agreement because that was 17 the agreement to which those entities were 18 parties? 19 That's -- that's correct. Α. 20 Was it customary for you to 0. 21 attend a board meeting for one entity and 22 make decisions that related to the affairs 23 of another entity at that meeting? 24 I would say this, you know, Α.

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Mortgage are guarantors to many of the facilities that we have that we're -- we're always thinking about all the -- the entities that are -- that are subsidiaries of the company.

- Q. So do those subsidiary entities ever have board meetings?
- A. We do -- we do occasionally have board meetings, you know, that -- that, you know, that I would generalize as things that are specific to that entity for maybe a state licensing issue.
- Q. Okay. Earlier you mentioned that the \$8.7 billion allowed claim -- well, let me put it different.

What was your understanding with respect to the entities that would be liable for the \$8.7 billion claim as of the May 9th?

A. My understanding that at that point in time all the entities were part of the release and that the claim, generally speaking, would be allocated based on where the loans were at by the